

THE CITY OF CLAYTON

Board of Aldermen Meeting
Council Chambers - 10 N. Bemiston Avenue
July 10, 2012
7:08 p.m.

Minutes

Mayor Goldstein called the meeting to order and requested a roll call. The following individuals were in attendance:

Aldermen: Andrea Maddox-Dallas, Cynthia Garnholz, Mark Winings, Joanne Boulton, and Alex Berger III.

Mayor Goldstein
City Manager Owens
City Attorney O'Keefe

Absent: Michelle Harris

Mayor Goldstein asked for any questions or comments relating to the June 26, 2012 minutes, which were previously provided to the Board.

Alderman Garnholz moved to approve the June 26, 2012 minutes. Alderman Maddox-Dallas seconded the motion.

The motion to approve the minutes passed unanimously on a voice vote.

PUBLIC REQUESTS AND PETITIONS

Mr. Bob Sher, Department of Defense, presented Police Officer Ron Keel with a plaque for the City's nomination for the Freedom Award. Officer Keel, Staff Sergeant in the U.S. National Guard nominated the city to receive the Freedom Award when he was called to duty in 2011, serving for one year. On behalf of his family, Officer Keel wanted to thank the city for their thoughtfulness in helping his family during his leave.

A PUBLIC HEARING AND ORDINANCE TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A SUBDIVISION PLAT/LOT CONSOLIDATION FOR 6307-6255 WYDOWN BOULEVARD AND 6252 FORSYTH BOULEVARD

Alderman Maddox-Dallas moved to open the public hearing to consider Bill No. 6331, a request for a subdivision plat and lot consolidation for 6307-6255 Wydown Boulevard and 6252 Forsyth Boulevard and request proof of publication. Alderman Garnholz seconded.

The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

City Manager Owens reported that this is a public hearing and subsequent ordinance to consider approving a subdivision plat for consolidation of two existing lots.

On January 23, 2012, the City of Clayton received an application, plat and supporting documents from Mike Vachow, head of the Forsyth School, and Dr. Alan Tiefenbrunn, owner of 6307-6255 Wydown Boulevard, requesting consolidation of two (2) existing R-1 lots. The subdivision plat is

being submitted by the applicant in order to satisfy the City's requirement that private schools in the R-1 Large Lot Single Family Zoning District have frontage on Forsyth Boulevard.

Approximately 30 feet of the western portion of each lot is located in the City of Clayton and the remaining 70 feet is located in the City of St. Louis. As such, the applicant is required to seek approval of the plat from the City of Clayton and the City of St. Louis, and to record the plat at the St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds and the City of St. Louis Recorder of Deeds office. We have been advised that the City of St. Louis has approved the consolidation of those portions of the lots located within that jurisdiction.

The proposed plat will consolidate the portion of the two lots on Wydown Boulevard and Forsyth Boulevard located in the City of Clayton.

- Lot 49 (addressed 6307 and 6255 Wydown Boulevard) measures 25,029 square feet. Approximately 6,009 square feet of the western portion of this lot is located in the City of Clayton.
- Lot 6 (addressed 6252 Forsyth Boulevard) measures 25,008 square feet. Approximately 7,502 square feet is located in the City of Clayton. This vacant lot was recently purchased by the Forsyth School.

The newly consolidated lot (Lot A) will contain 45,037 square feet of which approximately 13,511 square feet is located in the City of Clayton. Lot A meets all zoning requirements for the R-1 Large Lot Single Family Dwelling District.

The proposed plat will provide a single lot for the expansion of The Forsyth School into the City of Clayton. The consolidated lot will have frontage on Forsyth Boulevard to meet the requirements for private schools located in the R-1 Residential District. If approved, this lot consolidation will have frontages on both Wydown Boulevard and Forsyth Boulevard as is the case with three (3) other properties in the Tesson's Subdivision.

The Plan Commission considered this request at its June 18, 2012 meeting and voted unanimously to recommend approval. On June 18, 2012, the Plan Commission also approved a conditional use permit by a vote of 4 to 1 for the operation of a private elementary school at 6307 Wydown Boulevard. Recommendation is to approve the request for the lot consolidation.

John Meyer, attorney representing The Forsyth School, introduced and acknowledged that Mike Vachow, head of The Forsyth School, and neighboring residents at 6309 Wydown Boulevard, Mr. and Mrs. Piper, were in the audience. Mr. Meyer gave a very brief summary and history of the lot consolidation project.

Mr. Bill Travis, resident at 6425 Wydown Boulevard and President of the Skinker Heights Neighborhood Association, addressed the Board stating that the SHNA unanimously agreed and entered into a settlement with The Forsyth School. The agreement between The Forsyth School and the Association includes, without limitation, a prohibition on The Forsyth School to convert any other neighborhood residence into institutional use for 25 years and the Association is in full support of the proposed lot consolidation. He stressed that the property in question is located partially (one-third of the property) in Clayton with the rest in the City of St. Louis. For future reference on requests or proposals such as this the residents and the Association want to be on record that their neighborhood is not up for "open season" and the residents do not want to change the residential character of their neighborhood.

Ms. Beverly Wagner, 8025 Maryland Avenue, addressed the Board stating that since last February she has followed the request by Forsyth School for a special conditional use permit for the residence at 6307 Wydown Boulevard. For the record she agrees with the original decision of the Plan Commission in February to deny the request. She applauds the efforts of everyone involved to try to find a

compromised solution she is not convinced that a mutually, beneficial solution is possible. She believes that any exception to the R-1 Zoning will have negative implications for the future. She knows from experience as a resident of Skinker Heights for 26 years and as a former Ward 1 alderman that the R-1 Zoning is the single most important thing that has preserved the quality of the residential neighborhood. She said that it's the neighborhood's one protection and one "trump card" against encroachment by the surrounding institutions and she is asking members of the Board to consider the long-range implications and to deny this request for a special conditional use permit.

Alderman Boulton clarified the impact by referencing the Clayton Code, Section 405.1780, Properties fronting the south side of Forsyth Boulevard from University Lane on the west to the east City limits: this area presents special use and aesthetic characteristics which require careful balance and special attention. The patent residential character of the structures in this area is a predominant feature which must be preserved for harmony with internal and contiguous residential uses, while the area's proximity to Washington University suggests reasonable allowance for ancillary education-related activities. Therefore, in this part of the "R-1" District only, education and institutional uses may be conditionally permitted in existing residential structures provided such uses are limited to guest lodging, offices, conference and meeting facilities and similar ancillary activities if, in addition to the other standards for conditional uses provided in this Chapter, all parking for such a proposed use is provided outside the "R-1" District and: 1. The residential appearance of the structure and yard areas is preserved; 2. Hours of operation are limited to times which will not interfere with the peaceful enjoyment of residential properties in and adjacent to the area; and 3. The use will not result in excess traffic or light, smoke, noise or other emissions in compatible with residential neighborhoods in the City of Clayton.

Alderman Boulton said that this is the section of the Code that is being used when two pieces of property are joined which will allow the property on Wydown to also be a property on Forsyth and she wanted everyone to understand this fact. She said that the intent was to never allow this Code to "leap-frog" down onto Wydown or Ellenwood which concerns her that now this is happening. She originally objected to the request in February at the Plan Commission meeting. She said that this is an unusual instance where only one-third of the property is located in Clayton, however she feels the Board needs to think about the intent of this section of the Code and have the use become more compatible for the future.

In response to Mrs. Wagner and Alderman Boulton's comments, Mr. Meyer that they were not here tonight to ask the Board to change or modify the R-1 Zoning regulations, but to request approval for the lot consolidation and then later request approval for the conditional use permit.

Alderman Maddox-Dallas moved to close the public hearing to consider Bill No. 6331, a request for a subdivision plat and lot consolidation for 6307-6255 Wydown Boulevard and 6252 Forsyth Boulevard. Alderman Garnholz seconded.

The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Alderman Maddox-Dallas introduced Bill No. 6331, a request for a subdivision plat and lot consolidation for 6307-6255 Wydown Boulevard and 6252 Forsyth Boulevard to be read for the first time by title only. Alderman Garnholz seconded.

City Attorney O'Keefe read Bill No. 6331, consideration of a request for an ordinance providing for the approval of a plat to consolidate certain property located on Wydown and Forsyth Roads in the City of Clayton, Missouri for the first time by title only.

The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Alderman Maddox-Dallas introduced Bill No. 6331, a request for a subdivision plat and lot consolidation for 6307-6255 Wydown Boulevard and 6252 Forsyth Boulevard to be read for the second time by title only. Alderman Garnholz seconded.

City Attorney O'Keefe read Bill No. 6331 for the second time; Alderman Maddox-Dallas – Aye; Alderman Garnholz – Aye; Alderman Winings – Aye; Alderman Boulton – Aye; Alderman Berger – Aye; and Mayor Goldstein – Aye. The Bill was adopted and became Ordinance No. 6212 of the City of Clayton.

A PUBLIC HEARING AND RESOLUTION TO CONSIDER APPROVING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR THE FORSYTH SCHOOL LOCATED AT 6307 WYDOWN BOULEVARD

Alderman Maddox-Dallas moved to open the public hearing to consider Resolution No. 12-19, a request for a conditional use permit for the Forsyth School Inc. and request proof of publication. Alderman Garnholz seconded.

The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

City Manager Owens reported that this is a public hearing and resolution to consider a Conditional Use Permit application made by John S. Meyer, Jr. of Capes, Sokol, Goodman and Sarachan, PC, Attorneys at law, on behalf of the Forsyth School, for the proposed expansion of the private elementary school into an existing single family home located at Mr. and Mrs. This application for conditional use approval is being considered and is related to a separate application for a lot consolidation plat which will combine the property at 6307 Wydown with the property behind it at 6252 Forsyth Boulevard.

The subject properties are located in the R-1 Residential Zoning District and a private elementary school is allowable provided a Conditional Use Permit is approved by the Board of Aldermen.

The platted lot and survey submitted with this project indicates that the 30 feet on the west side of each property is located in the City of Clayton. Because both of these properties are divided by jurisdictional boundaries the conditional use application only relates to the uses which occur on the portion of the property within the Clayton city limits.

The Clayton portion of the Forsyth property is currently vacant, open space. The Clayton portion of the Wydown property is comprised of a yard and a portion of the house and a small porch attached to the west side of the residence.

The school has stated that they have no plans to expand the student population which currently stands at 408. The school has also indicated that the single family home on the Wydown property will be used for classrooms and offices, including the covered porch which is located in Clayton. The school plans to remove the existing circular driveway and does not plan to drop off or pick up students on the Wydown property.

No structural modifications are planned for the single family home to accommodate the school. The school indicates that the structure located on the Wydown property will substantially remain in its existing state as a single family building, although the use will change from residential to educational. The appearance of the structure is consistent with the other structures on the school's current site located in St. Louis and properties to the west located in Clayton.

The proposed site plan shows the property line between the subject site and the single family home to the west will be fenced with a 10-foot sound wall and planted with a landscape buffer.

The Plan Commission considered this request at its June 18, 2012 meeting and voted 4 to 1 to recommend approval.

Staff recommendation is to approve a Conditional Use Permit for the operation of The Forsyth School at 6307 Wydown Boulevard, pursuant to the stipulations and conditions listed in the attached resolution.

Mr. Meyer explained that the proposed application will allow the modest expansion of the school's campus into the eastern most 30 feet of the City of Clayton providing much needed room to the students and faculty. He said that the size of the school and its student body is not expected to change. He said that since the Plan Commission meeting the school has worked out a compromise with William and Susan Piper, owners of 6309 Wydown Boulevard, which provides for planting additional bushes along the front yard property line.

Mr. Meyer gave a brief PowerPoint presentation showing a depiction of the school campus. Mr. Meyer indicated that only a small portion of the subject lots are in Clayton (30%); the majority of them are located in the City of St. Louis (70%). He noted that the School closed on the acquired property on July 2nd.

Mr. Meyer showed the Board a slide depicting an aerial view of the properties and surrounding area and referred to the location of the newly proposed sound barrier wall between the school property and the Piper's property. He stated that the existing front circle drive will be removed and replaced with green space and that the property will remain to appear as a beautiful single family residence.

Mr. Mike Vachow, head of The Forsyth School addressed the Board thanking them, the Plan Commission and staff for working with the school's proposal. He reiterated that the school closed on the Tiefenbrunn property at 6307 Wydown on July 2nd and that property will be used to house the 5th grade students. A color rendering depicting examples of the sound wall was presented and that a 10-foot high wall was recommended per a sound study conducted by the Pipers. Mr. Vachow stated that the landscaping, which includes Hollies that grow to 10 feet in height and the Viburnums that grow to 6 feet in height, will keep the children a distance from the wall. He stated that as a result of removing the front drive, the front door will no longer be the main entrance and will only be used by faculty; drop-off and pick-up will not take place at this entrance. He stated that there is no expectation of an increase in enrollment; that this is simply to provide the School more space. He thanked the members and the City staff for their time with regard to this proposal.

In response to Alderman Boulton's question, Mr. Vachow stated that the plantings that currently exist to the left of the wall are existing trees that Mr. and Mrs. Piper had planted several years ago. He said that also the school and The Pipers have agreed to new plantings that will be layering in height, 3 feet to 6 feet, which will provide a noise buffer down to the sidewalk separating the school's campus and the Piper's property.

In response to Alderman Berger's question, Mr. Vachow explained that the 10-foot tall fence was the product of the noise analysis that Mr. and Mrs. Piper had commissioned. The recommendation from the analysis was that a 10-foot fence of solid construction would be the ideal noise mitigating feature. The agreement with Mr. and Mrs. Piper has been the result of discussion within the last two months which the school has agreed to do the landscaping and he believes Mr. and Mrs. Piper have been satisfied.

In response to Alderman Winings' question, Mr. Vachow stated that the decision to not have hardscape in the back of the house is also agreeable with Mr. and Mrs. Piper and is part of the settlement agreement with the Skinker Heights trustees that will be recorded as an indenture.

Alderman Boulton clarified that the property at the back of the house is the section that is located in the City of Clayton.

Mr. Vachow showed depictions of certain types of trees and bushes that they will use in the landscape design and also described the materials to be used for the fence. He added that they have agreed with The Pipers to include them in the decision for the texture and color of the fence materials.

Regarding Alderman Winings' question, Mr. Meyer clarified from the proposed Resolution No. 12-19, Section 2 (5) - *That the open, outside areas of the subject property shall be used for passive uses either as a buffer or open green space. No organized athletic or other organized activities shall occur within these areas.* He said that as additional protection the settlement agreement prohibits any hardscape in the City of Clayton portion of the backyard.

Mr. and Mrs. William and Susan Piper, owners/residents at 6309 Wydown Boulevard, addressed the Board providing a copy of the sound survey (attached). Mr. Piper explained that the 10 feet wall is a little unusual for the area, but is important for the sound barrier. He said that the 10 feet height is essential for both them and the school in having a good ongoing situation. He talked about the proposed plantings and stated that he is not concerned there would be a problem with the accommodations that they have worked out with the school. He said that the current school administration has spent a great deal of time and effort into working on this matter which has been much more so than his experience with the past administration. He noted that his concern is the possibility of working with any future administration and wanted to make sure, however the Board may decide, that it is very clear what the requirements are and that it's enforceable. They have not been able to negotiate a clear, private right of action on him and his wife's part, but they will be depending on the City to enforce the conditional use permit and also on having a continuing active group of trustees in the Skinker Heights Neighborhood Association in order to maintain the characteristics of the neighborhood.

Alderman Boulton stated that she attended the Plan Commission meeting on February 6, 2012 and verbally requested that the Conditional Use Permit be denied. She explained that she lives in the Skinker-Heights Neighborhood Association and since 2004 seven homes had been purchased by institutions in the area which have all been used residentially. This is the first request for a home to be used as a conditional use permit which sets it apart from what they have previously seen. However, she feels the trustees, Mr. Meyer, and Forsyth School did an excellent job reaching out to the neighbors and the Board of Trustees of the neighborhood association negotiated a very good settlement which mitigated many of the problems that the residents were feeling. She remains very concerned about the text that is being used and hopes that the Planning Department will review and she is glad the Pipers are happy. She echoed Ms. Wagner's concerns stating that the R-1 Zoning is really important to the people in the Skinker Heights Neighborhood Association and keeping that R-1 Zoning and honoring that R-1 Zoning is paramount because it protects the neighborhood.

Alderman Maddox-Dallas echoed Alderman Boulton's comments and commended the neighborhood association, Mr. and Mrs. Piper, and the school for working together.

Mayor Goldstein commented that this is a wonderful example of communication and collaboration in coming to an agreement. She clarified that the Board is not approving the wall/fence design tonight.

In response to Mr. Piper's request regarding a variance, City Attorney O'Keefe explained that the question of the variance is considered by the Board of Adjustment, which is a quasi-judicial body that makes its determination based on the evidence presented in the record at the time of the hearing. He said that ordinarily the Board of Aldermen does not express policy opinions because the Board of Adjustment is required to base its decision on the evidence than presented by way of facts.

Mrs. Piper inquired about the “rule” regarding the height of fences and the assumption that this is a decision between two residences. She feels that there needs to be information in the record about how to look at an issue that is not residence-to-residence and not use the “rules” in determining these types of situations.

Alderman Maddox-Dallas moved to close the public hearing to consider Resolution No. 12-19, a request for a conditional use permit for the Forsyth School Inc. and request proof of publication. Alderman Garnholz seconded.

The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Alderman Maddox-Dallas moved to approve Resolution No. 12-19, granting a conditional use permit for the Forsyth School Inc. Alderman Garnholz seconded.

The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

A PUBLIC HEARING AND RESOLUTION TO CONSIDER APPROVING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR 6321 CLAYTON ROAD

Alderman Maddox-Dallas moved to open the public hearing to consider Resolution No. 12-20, a request for a conditional use permit for 6321 Clayton Road and request proof of publication. Alderman Garnholz seconded.

The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

City Manager Owens reported that this is a public hearing and resolution to consider a Conditional Use Permit application made by David Perkin, Development Properties LLC, for a proposed live/work unit at 6321 Clayton Road.

The subject property is zoned C-2 General Commercial District, and is located in the Clayton Road Urban Design District (UDD). Live/work units are allowable in the Clayton Road Urban Design District provided a Conditional Use Permit is approved by the Board of Aldermen.

The first floor of the property, totaling 976 square feet (excluding the proposed enclosed porch), will be used as living space and contain 1 bedroom and 1.5 baths. The applicant has stated that either the owner, the tenant, or the owner or tenant’s employee will live at the residence. The second floor, with approximately 776 square feet of office space, will be used by the applicant to manage their own privately held/owned businesses, which are financial and real estate oriented. Hours of operation will vary between 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, and the business will have three employees.

The applicant also proposes the addition of a new 676 square foot two-car detached garage and a new approximately 132 square foot enclosed porch on the rear of the principal structure. Clients will access the second floor offices through a dedicated entrance at the rear of the property.

Currently, the entire rear yard is paved and contains seven parking spaces. The applicant is required to provide 1 parking space for each 300 square feet of commercial/office space, and 1 parking space per dwelling unit, for a total of 3 spaces. The applicant is proposing 2 parking spaces for the residential unit inside the new detached garage and 2 surface parking spaces for the office will be located behind the garage off the alley.

The Plan Commission considered this request at its June 18, 2012 meeting and voted unanimously to recommend approval.

Staff recommendation is to approve a Conditional Use Permit for a live/work unit at 6321 Clayton Road, pursuant to the stipulations and conditions listed in the attached resolution.

In response to Alderman Boulton's question, Mr. David Perkin, Principal, Development Properties LLC, addressed the Board stating that he had met with all of the adjoining neighbors with regard to parking.

In response to Mr. Perkin's question regarding the owner/tenant occupancy, City Attorney O'Keefe clarified that Section 2 (3) - *"The dwelling unit shall be occupied only by either Permittee, or employee(s) of Development Properties, LLC. The dwelling unit must be the residence only of a person or persons responsible for the work performed in the non-residential portion of the premises"* which can be a tenant entity.

Alderman Maddox-Dallas moved to close the public hearing to consider Resolution No. 12-20, a request for a conditional use permit for 6321 Clayton Road. Alderman Garnholz seconded.

The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Alderman Maddox-Dallas moved to approve Resolution No. 12-20, granting a conditional use permit for 6321 Clayton Road. Alderman Garnholz seconded.

The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

AN ORDINANCE TO CONSIDER APPROVING A PERMANENT TRAFFIC SIGNAL EASEMENT AT THE INTERSECTION OF BRENTWOOD BOULEVARD AND DAYTONA AVENUE

City Manager Owens reported that the Public Works Department is requesting approval of the acquisition of a permanent traffic signal easement on the west side of Brentwood Boulevard at Corporate Park Drive/Daytona Drive.

During the development of engineering plans and specifications for the upcoming Traffic Signal Improvement Project, it was found that the City has existing traffic signal components (detection loops and post-top signal) outside of the right-of-way, on private property owned by Clayton Corporate Park Management Company. These facilities have been in place for many years, but an easement was never acquired. The upcoming project will replace the existing detection loops with wireless detection, and authority is needed to perform this work on private property.

It was determined by Public Works Staff and the property owner that it would be prudent to incorporate both existing and planned improvements into a permanent traffic signal easement, giving the City a legal right to maintain the traffic signal equipment. The attached easement document was negotiated between Public Works Staff and the property owner, and reviewed by the City Attorney's office.

Staff recommendation is to approve the ordinance authorizing the City Manager to execute a permanent traffic signal easement at the intersection of Brentwood Boulevard and Corporate Park Drive/Daytona Drive.

Alderman Maddox-Dallas introduced Bill No. 6332, an ordinance to consider approving a traffic signal easement at Brentwood Boulevard and Daytona Avenue to be read for the first time by title only. Alderman Garnholz seconded.

City Attorney O’Keefe reads Bill No. 6332, an ordinance to consider approving a traffic signal easement at Brentwood Boulevard and Daytona Avenue for the first time by title only.

The motion passed unanimously by a voice vote.

Alderman Maddox-Dallas introduced Bill No. 6332, an ordinance to consider approving a traffic signal easement at Brentwood Boulevard and Daytona Avenue to be read for the second time by title only. Alderman Garnholz seconded.

City Attorney O’Keefe reads Bill No. 6332 for the second time; Alderman Maddox-Dallas – Aye; Alderman Garnholz – Aye; Alderman Winings – Aye; Alderman Boulton – Aye; Alderman Berger – Aye; and Mayor Goldstein – Aye. The Bill was adopted and became Ordinance No. 6213 of the City of Clayton.

A MOTION TO APPOINT MEMBERS TO THE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Alderman Maddox-Dallas moved to approve the Mayor’s appointments as listed below:

Parks and Recreation Commission

Ward 3 – Mark Stapleton (filling Rosemary Hardy’s term through June 30, 2014)

Sustainability Committee

Ward 3 – Pam Fournier (Reappointment for a 3-year term through June 30, 2015)

A MOTION TO WITHDRAW BILL NO. 6327- PENSION BOARD TERM LIMITS FROM CONSIDERATION OF BOARD APPROVAL

City Manager Owens reported that during the last meeting the Board failed to make a motion to withdraw Bill No. 6327 from further consideration and that recommendation is for the Board to do so during tonight’s meeting.

City Attorney O’Keefe explained the steps to remove the bill from table and withdraw the bill from further consideration.

Alderman Garnholz moved to remove Bill No. 6327 from the table. Alderman Maddox-Dallas seconded.

The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Alderman Garnholz moved to withdraw Bill No. 6327 from further consideration by the Board of Aldermen. Alderman Maddox-Dallas seconded.

The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Other

Mayor Goldstein acknowledged that the Fire Department received a thank you letter from the Responder Rescue for their contribution from their hard work at the Taste of Clayton event.

Mayor Goldstein also acknowledged that Firefighter Brian Zinnani received a proclamation from Governor Nixon for his leadership with regard to the Missouri Firefighter’s Funeral Association.

Mayor Goldstein extended congratulations to Fire Captain Phil Lopez for his appointment as the Assistant Chief Instructor at the St. Louis Fire Academy. She added that they know how valuable the public safety department and services are to the community.

Mayor Goldstein thanked the Public Works Department, Mike Pratt and Police Department, Chief Byrne and all of the staff who was involved in the first solar panel installation. There was a press conference and a wonderful attendance, Brightergy, Paric Group, Congressman Russ Carnahan, and the Sarah Parker-Pauley, Director of the Department of Natural Resources. She said that this was quite an exciting and proud moment for the City and to have been cited by Congressman Carnahan as a national example of exemplary sustainable practices.

She recalled that Proposition P passed by a 73% margin back in 2010 and again this was a real vote of confidence in our Police Department and public safety.

Mayor Goldstein reminded everyone to support the garden café in Shaw Park now that it is open on Fridays, 4-8 p.m. and Saturday/Sunday 12:00 noon – 8:00 p.m.

On behalf of Alderman Harris, Alderman Garnholz read the following statement: *"I want to extend a huge thank you to our public safety staff in their efforts to make 4th of July a memorable event for families in Clayton. A great example is Claverach Park where they arrived with our newest fire truck, extended the bucket, turned on the hose and let the water flow from on high. It was so hot even dogs and grown-ups joined in. Of course the Clayton PD was there as well to ensure our safety and lead the bicycle parade. We are so very lucky to have such dedicated, experienced, and FUN public safety personnel."* Alderman Garnholz shared a photo of the event.

Alderman Berger moved that the Board adjourn to a closed meeting, with a closed vote and record, as authorized by Section 610.021(1), (2) and (3) Revised Statutes of Missouri, relating to legal issues, real estate and/or personnel, and to discuss matters related to negotiation of a contract pursuant to Section 610.021(12), RSMo. and/or proprietary information pursuant to Sec. 610.021(15). Alderman Boulton seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote cast as follows: Alderman Garnholz – Aye; Alderman Maddox-Dallas – Aye; Alderman Winings – Aye; Alderman Boulton – Aye; Alderman Berger – Aye; and Mayor Goldstein – Aye.

There being no further regular business the meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk